2006 TRANSPORTATION PLANNING SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM GUIDE

SCHOLARSHIP DESCRIPTION

The California Transportation Foundation (CTF), and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) Planning staff are offering two \$1,000 scholarships to promising Caltrans Student Assistant employees. These scholarships are intended to recognize, encourage, and assist outstanding students who are pursuing a Baccalaureate or Graduate degree in planning or a related field. Applicants must have a demonstrated interest in working in the planning profession.

These scholarships are competitive and are based on:

o Employment record

Career goals

Academic record

o Related extracurricular activities

o Personal Statement

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible for this scholarship, each applicant must meet the following criteria:

- Be employed with The Department as a volunteer or as a paid student assistant at the time of application. Note: qualified interns may also apply if they are full time students
- Be working towards a baccalaureate or a graduate degree in Planning or a related field such as Urban or Regional Studies, Public Policy, Public Administration, Environmental Policy or Studies, Geography, Sociology, or Economics. Units in transportation planning, city planning, community planning, regional planning, rural or urban planning/studies, land use planning and development, or travel analysis and forecasting may be used to meet the eligibility requirements.
- Have a cumulative GPA of 2.70 or better.
- Plan to pursue a career in transportation planning with Caltrans after graduation.

APPLICATION MATERIALS

Each applicant must submit the following materials:

- 1. A completed Division of Transportation/ CTF Scholarship Application.
- 2. An essay outlining career goals (not to exceed 500 words).
- 3. An <u>official</u> college or university transcript.
- 4. Proof of current college/ university enrollment.
- 5. A minimum of two sealed letters of recommendation:
 - o One from faculty.
 - o One from a supervisor.

SELECTION AND ANNOUNCEMENT

The Planning Scholarship Selection Committee will review all applications. After careful review, the two winners will be notified. The scholarships will be awarded at the Planning Management Team Meeting and announced in various Planning newsletters. Target award month: January 2007.

DEADLINE

The complete application must be postmarked by Monday, October 16, 2006. Incomplete or late applications will not be accepted. Note: **faxed documents are not considered originals.**

Submit applications to: Marleece R. Peart

Coordinator, Planning Scholarship CA Department of Transportation Division of Trans. Planning (MS-32) PO Box 942874

Sacramento, CA 94274-0001

If you have any questions, please contact Marleece Peart at: Phone: (916) 653-0265, Fax: (916) 653-2653, E-mail: Marleece Peart@dot.ca.gov

(SCROLL TO THE APPLICATION FORM ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE)

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION/ CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION FOUNDATION

2006 TRANSPORTATION PLANNING SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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RETURN THE COMPLETED APPLICATION, WITH THE APPROPRIATE ATTACHMENTS, NO LATER THAN <u>OCTOBER 16, 2006</u> TO:

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CA Department of Transportation
Division of Transportation Planning (MS-32)
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Sacramento, CA 94274-0001

Note: Incomplete applications or applications submitted without the PERSONAL STATEMENT, OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT, and LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION will not be considered